

MONTGOMERY CRICKET CLUB**Minutes of the Committee Meeting****Monday 2 June, 2008****Lymore Cricket Ground, Montgomery****Present**

John Barker (Chair), Andrew Black, Jonathan Williams, David Thomas, Mark Cadwallader, Neil Tuffin, John Brown.

1 Apologies

Rob Yewdall, Brian Corfield, Stan Davies, Keith Griffiths.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 7 April 2008 were agreed.

3 Matters Arising

Andrew Black had looked at the kit and reported that wicket keeping equipment was required. A smaller kit bag for away games was suggested so that only essential items needed to be carried.

4 Correspondence

Corvedale's home games will be played on the artificial wicket at Bromfield this season.

Neil Tuffin offered to represent the club at Quatt Cricket Club's centenary dinner if the club paid his expenses. The Chairman declined.

John Barker circulated the Tails for Wales literature. He noted that it was useful for identifying grants.

5 Financial Update

Andrew Black tabled the year to date accounts. The Tan y Mur Fund money had to be targeted at a specific event and he suggested that it should be used

for the Under 9s Festival and a fixture for girl cricketers. The Committee agreed.

The coffee morning should make a profit of £230-40 once outstanding expenses are paid.

An item of concern was the low figure for Vice President's contributions. Stan Davies will be asked him to chase them.

Some playing members had yet to pay their subscriptions. The Committee agreed to place a notice in the clubhouse informing members that they were now overdue. The meeting suggested that some penalty should be payable for late subscriptions. John Barker suggested that this could only be done with the support of members at the Annual General Meeting.

6 Development Group Report

Andrew Black tabled the minutes of a meeting held on 23 April.

He noted that a limit of £200 for expenditure had been set for payments made without recourse to the club committee. This is in agreement with the figure suggested at the Committee meeting in March 2008.

The nine areas from the evidence file for Club Mark Accreditation that still needed addressing were considered. These included the web-site (see below), briefing sessions for coaches prior to site visits by Peter Brett, and the establishment of a youth committee.

The health and safety issues regarding equipment had now been resolved. The garage will be locked when youth coaching is in progress.

Peter Brett will be visiting the ground on a youth coaching evening to make an assessment for accreditation. Andrew Black will suggest dates in July or August but noted that the correct proportion of coaches to children needs to be demonstrated.

Andrew Black had carried out a test risk assessment at the ground during a youth training session. The only significant issue was access to the tractor and gang mower and he suggested that bollards or signs be placed around it.

The next meeting of the Development Group will be held on 18 June.

7 Ground Issues

There were no ground issues.

8 Captains Issues

Neil Tuffin requested a new umpire's coat. Andrew Black agreed to investigate. Jonathan Williams was concerned about the lack of umpires for the second team.

9 Child Protection Issues

The Safeguarding and Protecting Children course scheduled for 17 April had been cancelled. John Barker will attend a future course when available.

10 Youth and Coaching Issues

The Committee welcomed news of the Under 15s first win of the season against Shrewsbury.

11 Communication Officer Issues

John Brown and Andrew Black reported that a test website was now live at www.test.g17.co.uk and asked committee members for feedback. The url www.montgomerycricketclub.co.uk has been secured.

John Brown reported that the letter rack would be built in the next week or so.

John Brown suggested that a blackboard be placed on the gable end of the clubhouse nearest the lane to advertise current issues and fixtures. Neil Tuffin agreed to investigate.

John Barker suggested the inclusion of cricketing highlights in the newsletter.

12 President's Day

A Lads and Dads' XI will play a President's XI on Sunday 13 July. Neil Tuffin will help Harry Williams select the President's XI and Stan Davies will be asked to organise the Lads and Dads.

13 Club Knockout

The knock-out final will be held on 24 August. John Barker agreed to sort out the alcohol licence and will give Eric from the Chequers plenty of warning.

14 Annual Dinner

The Committee agreed that the event should be held at Montgomery Town Hall once again. It was decided that a live band was preferable to a disco but that a different band would be asked to play as 'Good Times' were unwilling to perform again. Neil Tuffin agreed to investigate.

The meal should only consist of two courses as Jonathan Williams had commented that not enough time was allowed for his dancing at the last event.

15 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

16 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the Lymore Ground on 7 July at 8pm.